

Friday Morning, Jan 21, 1870.

The Dominion Cabinet.

At the present time, when out of the scattered British North American Possessions is being created an empire, it is of the utmost importance that the management of public affairs should be entrusted to men of large progressive views and tried statesmanship. And it is not the least gratifying circumstance connected with the great scheme that just such men as the exigency of the times demanded have been brought to the front. Look at the three Knights occupying the most prominent positions. They are, all of them, men fit to stand side by side with Imperial Statesmen. The Premier is, indeed, a remarkable man. To deny him the possession of extraordinary abilities would be to fly in the face of the historical facts of nearly a quarter of a century. Through evil report and through good report, in times of especial trial has he succeeded, for upwards of fifteen years, with one or two insignificant exceptions, in retaining the most important post to which any of his countrymen could be called; and that he is no novice in statecraft let the present proud position of the country testify. Crowding close upon the heels of Sir John, we have Sir George E Cartier, who, if not so thoroughly up in statecraft, can scarcely be rated second in ability. Of Sir George it may, perhaps, be asserted that Confederation made him, rather than that he made it. It was after many years of wrangling and fighting for ascendancy between the two great parties of Upper and Lower Canada, the latter of which looked to him as its leader, that Sir George was invited to cease to view matters from the standpoint so long occupied by his fellow-countrymen and co-religionists, and unite with the Protestant party of the West in constructing a coalition Ministry, the chief mission of which would be to seek in Confederation a remedy for those local and sectional squabbles; and although the change was such as must forever deprive his own party of all hope of attaining a preponderating power in the Federal councils of the larger state, yet he hesitated not to identify himself with a former enemy, and work for the larger and more national object. In taking this bold and patriotic step Sir George risked much; for it was doubtful whether he would be able to carry his countrymen with him in a movement calculated to arouse prejudices of race and religion, and designed to effectually curtail their political power. He ventured, and won; and to him the country stands much indebted. Few men placed in a similar position would have had either the nerve or the ability to play the same game successfully. If we rank Sir Francis Hincks third in order, it is not that we conceive him to stand in that relation, in point of those talents which go to make up the statesman. Sir Francis is second to no man in Canada in that respect. Like the Premier, he is a self-made man, and although his hand must be somewhat out of Canadian politics, yet we are greatly disposed to regard his return with satisfaction, and to think that, if spared for a few more years, Sir Francis will supplement his former record in such a manner as to give the country additional cause to cherish his memory. Coming to the Hon S L Tilley, we find a gentleman of superior abilities and of more than ordinary moral worth. Still in his prime, he is without doubt destined to attain very great influence in the councils of his country. A self-made man, guided by high motives and liberal principle, Mr. Tilley may still be regarded as a rising statesman. The Hon Joseph Howe has established a reputation both in England and Canada of which he may well feel proud; yet there is no doubt that the unwise course he adopted in the first instance, in regard to Confederation tended in some degree to impair his popularity and influence; but, after making due allowance for that false step, the presence in the Cabinet of the veteran and eloquent reformer cannot but prove an element of no little strength. The advent of the Hon Alexander Morris could scarcely fail to be regarded with satisfaction by the great Confederation party. One of the first to realize the importance of opening up the Northwest, and to grasp the grander scheme of a Confederate Empire, Mr. Morris did much towards bringing together the leaders of the two parties, for the purpose of achieving a work higher than all party considerations. Still a young man, possessed of a liberal and honest mind, and endowed with talents of no mean order, Mr. Morris bids fair to act an honorable and important part in the history of the young Empire. The Hon Mr. D'Anjou is also a man of considerable promise, a lawyer by profession, and likely to make himself felt in the Cabinet; but with his history and political antecedents and ability we are less familiar. Of the other members of the Government we know still less. There are two Canadians whose absence from the Cabinet cannot but be a subject of very general regret. We allude to Sir Alexander T Galt and the Hon. George Brown. Were these two men united with those already mentioned, Canada would possess a Government of sufficient strength and talent to undertake the administration of the affairs of a much more important country. The talents and past services of both entitle

them to a front place, and a change which will give the country once more the benefit of their talents and influence would be hailed with very general satisfaction.

European Mail Summary.

[Dates to Dec. 26th.]

The master of a barge at anchor off Sheerness, finding his craft endangered by the violence of the sea, put off for shore, with his sister and five children, but the boat was upset and all the children drowned.

The Marquis of Bute took with him from Scotland to Rome a magnificent silver cross of Gothic workmanship, adorned with Scottish stones, and presented it to the Holy Father, who directed that it was to be used as the processional cross of the Council. The cross was made by a well-known Catholic jeweller in Glasgow.

Great agitation continues in Ireland. Threatening notices are frequent, and a general indisposition on the part of tenents to pay rent prevails in many parts of the country. The flying columns of military are at once to commence their operations, and great persecutions are taken as in the time of actual rebellion. The peasantry of Kilkenny having espoused the quarrel of a dissatisfied member, have poisoned the coverts, and thus destroyed many of the hounds. The Irish Bishops in Rome are reported to be greatly troubled by the action of some of their clergy during their absence.

In Portugal there is great agitation, the present Ministry, which has the support of the King, being very unpopular. The Duke of Saldanha has refused to obey an order of the Government and in a published letter urges the King to yield to the wishes of the nation.

At Ewell, in Surrey, a man, actuated by jealousy, attempted to destroy a woman with whom he had cohabited, by casting a bag of gunpowder on the fire. He himself was fatally injured by the explosion, and another man is since reported to be dead.

Thomas Lockyer, the well-known Surrey cricketer, died of consumption, aged 44.

The poor child, Sarah Jacobs, known as 'the Welsh fasting girl,' who was being watched by professional nurses, died. An inquest was held and a verdict of manslaughter against her father returned.

In the northern and midland countries heavy and continuous rains have caused destructive floods, while in Scotland and the border countries heavy falls of snow have occurred.

The Earl of Atrim and Lord Boson are dead.

The Rev. W. C. Clark, late Public Orator at Cambridge, has written to his diocesan a letter, explaining that his rejection of his holy orders is in consequence of his no longer believing in certain canonical and liturgical state-mights.

The trustees of Rugby School have again met, but have refused to hear evidence, or to vary their former decision of electing the Rev. W. Hayman as the successor to Dr. Temple.

The Court is at Osborne. Prince Leopold is reported to be improving in health.

Mr. Gladstone has left town for Ilfracombe, and nearly all the other members of the Cabinet have quitted London for the Christmas holidays.

On Tuesday the Bishops of Exeter, Bath and Wells, and of the Falkland Islands were consecrated in Westminster Abbey. Several Bishops forwarded written protests against the consecration of Dr. Temple, but the Bishop of London, with his coadjutors, acting upon legal advice, declined to take any action upon the protests.

A telegram has been received in Liverpool which states on the authority of M. Lavelley, that the minimum depth of water over the Serapeum rock in the Suez Canal is 18ft. 5in. A rumour that the Canal was to be closed until April for dredging purposes is officially contradicted.

Father Ryan, who recently advised the Irish tenantry to "tumble" their landlords, has been suspended by his bishop.

CATASTROPHE ON THE RHINE.—The North German Correspondent gives the following particulars of an accident which occurred at the railway bridge now in the course of construction over the Rhine between Bingen and Neuss on the 20th inst. At about 10 o'clock a vessel laden with 4,500 cwt of iron ore approached the bridge. The steamer Dolphin, which is employed to tow the vessel past the place where the works are being constructed, was at the moment engaged with some rate, and she was notified to the skipper, who was requested to cast anchor where he was—about 1,000 paces—but continued his course. The result was that the vessel struck against one of the supports of the bridge and literally crushed it, thus bringing down into the river the immense mass of iron resting upon it. The craft was of course destroyed, and those on board the man with his wife and three children, perished. About 40 men were working on the part of the bridge which fell at the time of the accident, 15 having observed the danger they were in, escaped to the neighboring arches, the rest fell into the river with the ironwork. At the date of the last accounts three corps had been discovered, and six men had been brought to land severely wounded; 11 were still missing. Many of the laborers, strange to say, have suffered so little from the fall that they were soon able to resume their work. The loss in a pecuniary point of view is severe. Five vessels belonging to the railway contractor, Mr. Harkort, of Hesse, were lying near the bridge at the time of the accident, and these were all sunk. Their crews escaped to the small boats and the bank. In all 19 lives seem to have been lost, and 14 men severely wounded, three of whom are not expected to recover.

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Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

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Jan 20—Star Califor. 1a, Lyons, San Francisco
Sip Ocean Queen, Dwyer, San Juan
CLEARED.

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Brig Robert Cowan, Weeks, Honolulu

Auction Sales To-day.

J. P. DAVIES & CO.—Wharf street..... Will sell at 11 o'clock, at saleroom, Ale & Porter, Spices, Raisins, Currents, Indiarubber and other Boots, Cigars, &c.

FROM THE MAINLAND.—The steamer Enterprise, Captain Pamphlet, returned from New Westminster shortly after 4 p.m., yesterday, bringing a few passengers and a local mail and express. The Cariboo express did not reach New Westminster in time to connect with the Enterprise, having been delayed by ice in the river below Yale, so that we are without any later news from the interior. In all probability the express would reach New Westminster yesterday or to-day, and may be expected to arrive by the steamer Emma, now at Burrard Inlet. On her way up, on Wednesday, the Enterprise met some floating ice in the river, but it was not of sufficient body to present any serious obstruction to navigation. At New Westminster the snow had fallen to a depth of about three inches, and Mr Lewis' slights were running between the city and Burrard Inlet. The weather had been very cold yesterday and Monday, but a thaw set in on Wednesday. A number of ratepayers having presented a requisition to the President of the Municipal Council, asking him to call a public meeting in order that Messrs Holbrook and Robson might have an opportunity of stating their views on the question of Confederation, the meeting was held at the Hyack Hall on Wednesday evening, W. J. Armstrong, Esq., J. P., in the Chair. The meeting was very largely attended. A letter from Mr Holbrook, declining to attend, on the ground that his views were already known to the public, was read. Mr Robson having addressed the meeting, a resolution was unanimously adopted, expressing entire confidence in him as the representative of the Districts. Mr Barnard, being loudly called for, addressed the meeting. The young folks have been enjoying themselves on the ice on Burnaby Lake since the cold weather set in.

BURNS' ANNIVERSARY.—The committee of arrangements are hard at work preparing for the approaching Burns' Festival of the Caledonian Society. They are determined to make it the social affair of the season, and they will not fall behind their determination.

BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.—A general meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of British North America was held at the London Tavern, under the presidency of Mr A H Philpott, who announced that the Queen's warrant, extending the privileges of the charter until the 1st June, 1881, had been received. He was happy to say that the confidence which was felt in the bank in the Dominion of Canada was never greater than at the present moment. The appointment of general manager vacant by the resignation of Mr Paton, who had been in the service of the company since the year 1842, would be shortly conferred on Mr. McNab, the former secretary of the company, who had lately travelled through Canada, and had also visited New York, California, Vancouver Island, Brantford and other places. The directors believe that Mr McNab will emulate the valuable services rendered by his predecessor, and that probably more stringent regulations under the new regime would reduce the average of their bad debts and thus secure increased dividends. The post of secretary had been conferred on Mr Bradford, who had for a long time been with the bank and had for eleven months previous to his appointment filled the duties of the office. A solid and substantial superannuation had been granted to Mr Paton, in recognition of his exertions during the lengthened period he had devoted himself to the interests of the bank. The report, an abstract of which has already appeared, was adopted *pro forma*, and the proceedings terminated with a cordial vote of thanks to the chairman and directors.

THEATRE ROYAL.—Last night Mrs Carter took her complimentary benefit. We are glad the house was good on the occasion, for the pieces were well selected and the performance throughout excellent, in the first piece, the farce of the 'Art'el Dodge,' Mr Alerton distinguished himself as Demosthenes Dodge, Esq., and gained rapturous applause. Miss Phelps' appearance is kindly volunteered in the interlude, caused her to receive a perfect ovation, and she was encored three times, which her singing well merited. In the 'French Spy' Mr and Mrs Carter both exerted themselves to sustain the happy spirit of the audience, and in the roles allotted them acted exceeding well in characters requiring a combination of energy and taste. Nor must we omit to mention Mr Barry's success as Tony Barnard, for much of the mirth and merriment of the audience in the after-piece were excited by the popular and excellent actor. This Evening—Benefit of Miss Nellie Cummings.

THE END OF 'LORD HURBERT AINSLEY.'—The brilliant career of the impostor Dick Radford, alias Lord Hurbert L S Ainsley, whose doings we have quoted from time to time from the New York papers, has at last ended. The New York Post says:—A day or two ago his wife arose from bed to find her diamonds, money, watch and her 'English Lord,' all gone. On the table lay a note saying that he had gone never to return. The wife returned to her mother on Staten Island, where she is said to be lying dangerously ill of brain fever. It should be added that this impostor succeeded in making his way among a certain kind of wealthy society, in spite of the warnings of the press; that he was able to persuade the daughter of a wealthy family to marry him, in spite of the fact that his pretensions had been exposed in public as well as in private; and that long after it was most clearly ascertained that he was an impostor, his invitations to dinners and other festivities were freely accepted by many persons who make pretensions to social standing.

Cause and Effect.

This being the last week of the season, we hope to see the Troope receive that degree of public patronage to which they are fairly entitled.—Evening News of Tuesday.

* This institution does not advertise in the Evening News—Theatre advertisement of Wednesday.

A CHANCE FOR BARGAINS IN CLOTHING.—A. Gilmore, Yates street, near Government, has commenced to sell off his entire stock of ready-made clothing at cost, to close out brandy of his business, as he intends to confine his attention to MERCHANT TAILOR INC. Garments of every description made in the most fashionable styles at great reduced prices.

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VIENNA, January 13.—A majority of the Austrian Cabinet advocate a close union between all the States of the Empire; while it is said to be lying dangerously ill of brain fever. It should be added that this impostor succeeded in making his way among a certain kind of wealthy society, in spite of the warnings of the press; that he was able to persuade the daughter of a wealthy family to marry him, in spite of the fact that his pretensions had been exposed in public as well as in private; and that long after it was most clearly ascertained that he was an impostor, his invitations to dinners and other festivities were freely accepted by many persons who make pretensions to social standing.

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